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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICANT : Jackowski et al

INVENTION : Biopolymer Marker Indicative of
Disease State Having a Molecular
Weight of 1211 Daltons

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir or Madam:

Please enter the following amendment preliminary to
examination on the merits, no new matter is added:

IN THE CLAIMS:

a' 3. (New) A method for evidencing and categorizing at least one
disease state comprising:
obtaining a sample from a patient;